

MINUTES FORMAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday, April 26, 2021 - 5:30 p.m.

Greenville City Hall - Closed to the Public

Virtual Meeting Viewing: https://www.greenvillesc.gov/meeting

Remote Viewing Location:
Greenville Convention Center, 1 Exposition Drive

- CALL TO ORDER
 Mayor Knox H. White
- 2. **INVOCATION** (Suspended)
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Suspended)
- 4. ROLL CALL

The following members of City Council were in attendance: Mayor Knox White, John DeWorken, Lillian Flemming, Ken Gibson, Wil Brasington, Russell Stall, and Dorothy Dowe

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

April 12, 2021; Approved as submitted

- 6. COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
- 7. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

<u>Paula Catterall, 1027 S. Main Street, Unit 201</u>, spoke in support of Item 15a stating she would like Council to consider taking steps to protect the essence of Greenville. Ms. Catterrall referred to the Greene Apartments as an example and commented on the additional issues it brings including loss of sunlight and television reception, parking, traffic and noise issues, and the need for more green space to handle more dogs.

Chris Bailey, on behalf of the Greater Greenville Association of Realtors, spoke in opposition to Item 15a and stated the organization would be happy to be involved in drafting solutions for the problems being addressed. Mr. Bailey thanked Assistant City Manager Shannon Lavrin and staff for reaching out to the development community for feedback.

<u>Todd Whitlow, on behalf of the Upper State Apartment Association</u>, spoke in opposition to Item 15a and referred to the growth of Greenville, the number of people wanting to move to the City, and concerns regarding housing affordability. Mr. Whitlow stated the group would be happy to serve as a resource in finding solutions.

<u>Jessica Saravia, 115 Atherton Way, Greer</u>, requested the removal of the Wings of Greenville art exhibit saying these statues are inappropriate and not family friendly. Ms.

Saravia stated she has a petition supporting the removal of the statues and she will be sending it to the Arts in Public Places Commission and the exhibition sponsors.

Mayor White stated the exhibition was vetted by the Arts in Public Places Commission and the Carolina Foothills Garden Club, and he hopes everyone views the artwork and judges it for themselves.

<u>Karen Smith, 302 Fairmeadow Way, Greenville</u>, spoke on the growth and benefits of pickleball in Greenville and in support of having more pickleball courts in the area.

<u>Marcie Thaler, 427 Henderson Road,</u> spoke in support of having more pickleball courts in Greenville to allow for tournaments as a means of tourism revenue.

Events and Cultural Affairs Director/Interim Parks and Recreation Director Angie Prosser stated the department is working on renovating and adding pickleball courts to the City as well as identifying the number of courts in the City and around the County.

8. PRESENTATION

None

9. PUBLIC HEARING

None

10. APPOINTMENTS – Boards and Commissions

Recognition and appreciation of service was given by City Council to the following Board and Commission members with expiring terms: Lindsey McPhail, Charles Ratterree, Jermaine Johnson, David Keller, Shontavia Johnson and Kathy Black.

a. Arts in Public Places

Councilmember DeWorken recommended Kate Furman Patterson, Adam Schrimmer, and Kate Lacher each to a full-term beginning May 1, 2021, and ending April 30, 2024. There being no further nominations, Ms. Patterson, Mr. Schrimmer, and Ms. Lacher were appointed by unanimous consent.

b. Design Review Board – Urban

Councilmember Gibson recommended John Edwards, Carmella Cioffi, and Jeff Fort each to a full-term beginning May 1, 2021, and ending April 30, 2023. There being no further nominations, Mr. Edwards, Ms. Cioffi, and Mr. Fort were appointed by unanimous consent.

c. Design Review Board – Neighborhood

Councilmember Dowe recommended Monica Floyd Baretta and Anatole Upart each to a full-term beginning May 1, 2021, and ending April 30, 2023. There being no further nominations, Ms. Baretta and Mr. Upart were appointed by unanimous consent.

d. Greenville Airport Commission

Councilmember Brasington recommended Matt Alexander to a full-term beginning May 1, 2021, and ending April 30, 2024. There being no further nominations, Mr. Alexander was appointed by unanimous consent.

e. Planning Commission

Councilmember Flemming recommended Diane Eldridge and Derek Enderlin each to a full-term beginning May 1, 2021, and ending April 30, 2025. There being no further nominations, Ms. Eldridge and Mr. Enderlin were appointed by unanimous consent.

f. Springwood Cemetery Advisory Committee

Councilmember Stall recommended Gwen Garrett, Fletcher Kirkland, and Cherron Saad each to a full-term beginning May 1, 2021, and ending April 30, 2023. There being no further nominations, Ms. Garrett, Mr. Kirkland, and Ms. Saad were appointed by unanimous consent.

g. Greenville Transit Authority

Councilmember DeWorken recommended Walker Smith to an unexpired term ending December 31, 2021. There being no further nominations, Ms. Smith was appointed by unanimous consent.

CONSENT AGENDA

There will be no discussion of Consent Agenda items unless a Council member so requests in which event the item in question will be considered separately.

Councilmember Stall moved, seconded by Councilmember Flemming, to approve second and final reading of agenda items 11a, 11b, 11c, and 11d of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (Ordinances – Second and Final Reading)

- a. Ordinance to abandon a private access easement across Habitat for Humanity's property at 27 Woodfin Avenue (Presented by Assistant City Engineer Clint Link)
- b. Ordinance to annex approximately 8.031 acres of real property located at Webb Road and to provide the zoning designation of RM-2, Single-family and multifamily residential district, to approximately 8.313 acres of real property (Tax Map Numbers 0260000101100, 0260000101102, 0260000101215, 0260000101216) (AX-2-2021) (Presented by Planning and Development Services Director Jay Graham)
- c. Ordinance to appropriate \$2,249,080 in the Utility Undergrounding Fund for the Unity Park Phase 1B Undergrounding Project (Presented by Assistant City Engineer Clint Link)
- d. Ordinance authorizing an agreement with the Metropolitan Sewer Subdistrict d/b/a Metroconnects pertaining to annexed property and appropriating funds for the payment of certain fees pursuant to the Agreement (Presented by City Attorney Mike Pitts)

12. NEW BUSINESS – (Ordinance – First Reading)

None

13. NEW BUSINESS – (Resolutions – First and Final Reading) None

REGULAR AGENDA

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (Ordinances – Second and Final Reading) None

15. NEW BUSINESS – (Ordinances – First Reading)

a. Ordinance to impose a temporary moratorium on acceptance of applications for permits, licenses, certificates of appropriateness, and other approvals for a multiple-family dwelling use, commercial use, or service and industrial use, or for a development which includes any such use, for properties abutting single-family detached residential uses in all zoning districts except C-4, UPND, and PD (Presented by Assistant City Manager Shannon Lavrin) (NOTE: During 3/22/2021 Formal Meeting, item postponed until 4/26/2021 at City Council's request for further review.)

Councilmember Flemming moved, seconded by Councilmember Gibson, to approve first reading. The motion failed with 3-4, with Councilmembers DeWorken, Brasington, Stall, and Mayor White opposing.

16. NEW BUSINESS – (Resolution – First and Final Reading)

a. Resolution directing staff to develop Land Management Ordinance text amendments that address design standards, dimensional standards, project requirements, and buffering requirements for non-residential uses and multi-family uses adjacent to detached single family residential uses (Presented by Assistant City Manager Shannon Lavrin)

Councilmember Dowe moved, seconded by Councilmember Flemming, to approve first and final reading.

Assistant City Manager Shannon Lavrin presented a brief explanation of the text amendment considerations regarding developments directly abutting single-family uses.

Councilmember Dowe moved, seconded by Councilmember Flemming, to add a traffic impact analysis to the list of items in Round 2 of text amendment considerations. The motion to amend was unanimously approved.

Ms. Lavrin discussed the next steps and schedule for creating the interim text amendments, a web page for public feedback, and the selection of a Land Management Ordinance consultant.

Councilmember Brasington asked what the date is for posting the proposed amendments for the May 20 Planning Commission meeting. Ms. Lavrin responded the

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information must be published by May 5. Mayor White thanked Ms. Lavrin and staff for their work in community outreach regarding this item.

After discussion, the motion as amended carried unanimously.

17. STAFF REPORTS

City Manager John McDonough provided information on the following items:

- a. Proterra Visit Recognition of Mayor White who welcomed President Joe Biden to a virtual tour of the Proterra facility.
- b. Parks and Grounds Assisted with organizing volunteers for two events: one including public grocery store employees making improvements in Falls Park on April 19 and the second, a clean-up in the Hessie Morrah Park. Also, the basketball court at Skyland Park has been repaved.
- c. Unity Park Work continues to progress well on the river restoration.
- d. Grand Bohemian Hotel The project is moving along as the streetscape lights have been ordered.
- e. Greenville County Administrative Building Progress is being made as the concrete foundation walls are being poured.
- **18. ADJOURN.** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

KNOX H. WHITE, MAYOR	
	CAMILLA G. PITMAN, MMC, Certified PLS CITY CLERK

MEETING NOTICE POSTED AND MEDIA NOTIFIED ON APRIL 23, 2021.